

Decision 12-10-031 October 25, 2012

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (U902M) for Authority, Among Other Things, to Increase Rates and Charges for Electric and Gas Service Effective on January 1, 2012

Application 10-12-005
(Filed December 15, 2010)

Application of Southern California Gas Company (U904G) for authority to update its gas revenue requirement and base rates effective on January 1, 2012.

Application 10-12-006
(Filed December 15, 2010)

ORDER EXTENDING STATUTORY DEADLINE

Summary

This decision extends the statutory deadline in this proceeding to December 31, 2012.

Background

Public Utilities Code (Pub. Util Code) § 1701.5(a) provides that ratesetting proceedings shall be resolved within 18 months of the date the scoping memo is issued, unless the Commission makes a written determination that the deadline cannot be met, including findings as to the reason, and issues an order extending the deadline.

The scoping memo for these consolidated proceedings was issued on March 2, 2011, and the original deadline for resolving these proceedings was September 2, 2012. In accordance with Pub. Util Code § 1701.5(a),

Decision 12-08-029 was issued which extended the deadline for resolving these proceedings to November 1, 2012.

Discussion

The two consolidated proceedings address the general rate case (GRC) applications of San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) and Southern California Gas Company (SoCalGas) for test year 2012.

In Decision (D.) 12-08-029, the deadline for resolving these proceedings was extended to November 1, 2012. Due to the complexity of the GRC applications, and the review and consideration of close to 600 exhibits, a decision on these consolidated proceedings will not be resolved by November 1, 2012. Accordingly, an extension of the deadline established in D.12-08-029 is needed.

Waiver of Comment Period

Under Rule 14.6(c)(10) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Commission may reduce or waive the period for public review and comment of decisions extending the deadline for resolving ratesetting proceedings. We waive the period for public review and comment pursuant to this rule.

Assignment of Proceeding

Mark J. Ferron is the assigned Commissioner and John S. Wong is the assigned Administrative Law Judge in this proceeding.

Findings of Fact

1. The scoping memo for this proceeding was issued on March 2, 2011.
2. The original deadline for resolving this proceeding was September 2, 2012, which was extended to November 1, 2012 by D.12-08-029.

3. Due to the complexity of the GRC applications, and the review and consideration of close to 600 exhibits, a decision resolving these proceedings will not be resolved by November 1, 2012.

Conclusions of Law

1. The deadline imposed by Pub. Util. Code § 1701.5(a), and as set forth in D.12-08-029 should be extended by 60 days.

2. In accordance with Rule 14.6(c)(10), the comment period is waived.

IT IS ORDERED that the statutory deadline for resolving this proceeding is extended to December 31, 2012.

This order is effective today.

Dated October 25, 2012, at Irvine, California.

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President

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